(b) DGCA is conducting an investigation into the incident.

(c) Immediately after the incident, the licences of three engineers of Indian Airlines, who had carried out installation, overhaul and assembly of the wheel, were suspended. Indian Airlines was also asked to carry out a special inspection of main wheel assemblies of all such aircraft, which has since been done.

Russian Decision on Cryogemic Engine Technology

*12. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Russia have decided recently to fulfill partially the cryogenic deal with India by supplying ready-made cryogenic booster blocks;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto: and

(c) what are the terms and conditions under which cryogenic booster blocks are proposed to be supplied by Russia to India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c) Consequent to the declaration of force majeure clause, a Russian team has arrived in India for discussions on the future course of action with respect to the agreement.

Implementation of Action Plan for Development of Tourism

13. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn out an Action Plan by identifying 17 circuits for the development of tourism;

(b) if so, the details of these circuits and the Action Plan; and

(c) what steps have been taken/are being taken to implement the Action Plan?

THE MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The list of 11 travel circuits and 6 destinations identified for intensive development under National Action Plan for Tourism is given in the Statement enclosed. (*See* below) These travel circuits and destinations were surveyed and a number of action points were made for the augmenting infrastructural facilities and development of tourist facilities, such as, tourist complexes, yatri niwases, yatrikas, wayside amenities, etc.

Development of these circuits and destinations is primarily the responsibility of concerned State Governments and they have also to identify plots of lands for

setting up hotels, resorts and other tourism related activities by the private sector. Augmentation of accommodation is also being considered by way of development of heritage hotels and registration of paying guest accommodation.

Steps have also been taken to publicise these tourist circuits and destinations alongwith other tourist attractions of the country through tourist offices located abroad and within the country.

Statement

Circuits-cum-Destinations Identified for intensive Development under National action plan

TRAVEL CIRCUITS :

1. Kulu—Manali—Leh
2. Gwalior—Shivpuri—Orcha—Khajuraho
3. Bagdogra—Sikkim—Darjeeling—Kalimpong
4. Bhubaneswar—Puri—Konark
5. Hyderabad—Nagarjunasagar—Tirupati
6. Madras—Mahabalipuram—Pondicherry
7. Rishikesh—Narender Nagar—Gangotri—Badrinath
8. Indore—Ujjain—Maheshwar—Omkareshwar—Mandu
9. Jaisalmer—Jodhpur—Bikaner—Barmer
10. Raigad Fort—Jangira Fort—Kuda Caves—Sirivardhan—Harihareshwar—Sindhudurg
11. Bangalore—Mysore—Hassan

DESTINATIONS :

1. Lakshadweep Islands
2. Andaman Islands
3. Manali (Solang—Nalah)
4. Bakal Beach
5. Muttukadu Beach
6. Kangra (Pong Dam)

Hike in equity holding of foreign companies

*14. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN :

SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that out of 151 foreign companies that hiked their equity holding in their subsidiaries, 71 companies were granted approvals by Secretariat of Industrial Approvals ;

(b) if so, what was the basis of approvals and which are the Industrial segments and sectors covered by the expansion of equity holding of foreign companies ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that high discount upto 84-85 per cent on new issue of share of foreign subsidiaries were given to parent companies with the approval of the Secretariat of Industrial Approvals ;

(d) if so, what was the basis for allowing high discount to parent companies ;

(e) whether it is also a fact that high discount rates go against the interest of general investors and financial institutions and become a further drain of foreign exchange on enlarged equities held by foreign parent companies ; and

(f) what are the reasons for granting approvals with such high discount ?

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